

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY
POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING
ADMINISTRATIVE MINUTES APRIL 15, 2020

The Board of Education Policy Committee met at 4:00 p.m. on the above date via teleconference. Board members present were Robert Leib, Chair; Candace Antwine, Julie Hummer, and Rida Alvi. Staff members present were Jeanette Ortiz, Legislative and Policy Counsel; Bob Mosier Chief Communications Officer; Maneka Monk, Senior Manager of Communications; Nikki Burns, Legislative and Policy Specialist; Walter Federowicz, Internal Audit; and Diane Howell, Executive Assistant to the Board. Also present was Julia Howes, Vice Chair of the Citizens Advisory Committee.

Review and Approval of Minutes: Mr. Leib opened the meeting with approval of the minutes to the February 19, 2020 committee meeting. The minutes were approved by consensus.

Policy to Review

KE-RA – School Fundraising Activities: Ms. Ortiz introduced the regulation and the amendments that were proposed. Ms. Howes asked a question about the definition section. Ms. Hummer suggested clarifying language that parent booster clubs are independent organizations from Anne Arundel County Public Schools. Ms. Ortiz will edit the definition section as discussed.

Section D. Part 1.4 will be consolidated. Section D. Part 1.5. will be revised to reflect denial of fundraisers requested by charitable organizations. Section D. Part 2.4. will reflect “off school premises” do not include parent booster clubs and there will be separate language added about parent booster clubs. Ms. Antwine raised a concern that this regulation should align with law that governs 501(c)(3) organizations. Mr. Federowicz responded and mentioned possible revisions to the accompanying policy.

Ms. Ortiz will work with colleagues on the clarifying language to the regulation and review the policy as well. Mr. Leib suggested bringing them back to the May 20, 2020 Policy Committee meeting. All were in favor.

Policy to Discuss

KBA – Citizen Advisory Committee: Ms. Ortiz discussed the edits and language suggestions that were given by the public, CAC, staff, and Board Member Dana Schallheim. State law was reviewed and is reflected in the language of the policy. Ms. Ortiz reviewed contradictory language in the Issue section. Ms. Ortiz recommended replacing Section C.2. sentence first line “may choose” with “will study,” and “as assigned by the Board” at the end of the sentence.

Section D.3. – Ms. Antwine made suggestions to add additional information. Mr. Mosier made suggestions to combine 2. and 3. Ms. Alvi made comments. Ms. Ortiz will combine 2. and 3. to address concerns raised and to clarify the intent. Mr. Burns suggested a clause be added. Committee members agreed. Page 2. Section C. 4., edits were suggested by Ms. Alvi to amend the language “to the extent practicable” to “shall strive to.” Ms. Antwine suggested adding language allowing for flexibility of meeting times for members to attend. Mr. Burns noted conflicts related to the Open Meetings Act. Mr. Leib asked Ms. Antwine to send suggested language to Ms. Ortiz to review. Ms. Antwine agreed and noted the suggested language should go just before Implementation. Ms. Ortiz asked that any additional revisions be sent via email.

Ms. Ortiz also discussed some of the language in the regulation. The Committee will review again at the next Policy Committee Meeting on May 20, 2020. All were in favor.

For the Good of the Order

None.

Adjourn: 5:05PM